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# From Now Until March 1, Not Later



FOR twenty-five years we have made a specialty of importing spring-flowering bulbs to order, for fall delivery. The superior quality of our bulbs, and our low prices, have built what is probably the largest bulb-business in America. We have now decided to handle summer-blooming bulbs for spring delivery in the same way, and to make very low prices for all orders received on or before March 1. The quality of these bulbs is the best the world produces.

By ordering from us *now*, instead of waiting to buy from the local dealer in the spring, you make a very large saving in cost and get a superior quality of bulbs. Our orders are selected and packed in Holland, and elsewhere, and are delivered to our customers at the proper time for planting in the spring.

If you wish to take advantage of the *very low prices*, we must have your order not later than March 1, as we supply everything offered in this list on advance orders only. The bulbs need not be paid for until after delivery; but, if you have had no account with us, please send references with your order. We can probably fill a limited number of orders for bulbs offered in this list after March 1; but, if you order after March 1, add 25 per cent to the prices quoted herein. These limitations of time and prices apply only to bulbs offered in this list, and not to anything offered in our Plant or Seed Catalogues.

## ELLIOTT NURSERY CO.

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# WAR PRICES FOR GLADIOLI

In the whole range of summer-blooming bulbs there is nothing so desirable or useful as Gladioli, and nothing so easy to grow. Failure is practically impossible. Last spring, owing to the war in Europe, we bought Gladioli in Holland at very low prices, and offered them to our customers at the lowest prices ever made in this country. Our sales were enormous. We received as high as 700 orders a day, and our customers were delighted with the bulbs and the flowers. This season there are not nearly so many Gladiolus bulbs in Holland, owing to reduced planting, although, by making early and large reservations, we are enabled to repeat our **War Prices** of last year; but we must have the orders not later than March 1. The bulbs are strictly first-class, and we ask you to compare the prices with those of any reliable dealer.

## INCREASING POPULARITY

For several years the demand for Gladioli has more than doubled every year, and there is no reason why it should not continue to do so, as they are the most attractive and useful of summer-flowering bulbs, and as cut-flowers all through the summer and fall they hold a place that cannot be taken by any other. Wonderful improvements are being made in size, color and beauty, and our list includes only the best, both in mixture and in named varieties. They are very effective in lines or beds or when planted in small groups among shrubbery, peonies, roses, or in the hardy plant border.



Peace Gladioli

## FOR CUT-FLOWERS

For summer cut-flowers there is nothing so desirable or useful or so easily produced. By planting every two weeks from early spring until July 1, the Gladiolus may be had in bloom from the last of June until frost. The flowers are splendid for the house, the church or the hospital.

In cutting Gladioli for the house, it is best to cut the spikes as soon as the first one or two lower flowers are open. The remainder will open in the house. Remove the faded flowers, cut a little off the stem, and change the water every day; treated in this way, a spike will last a week or ten days.

## CULTURE

There is nothing more easily grown than Gladioli. They thrive in any ordinary good garden soil. Plant about 6 inches apart and 3 inches deep, and if a succession of bloom is desired, plant at intervals of ten days from the first of April, or as soon as the frost is out of the ground, until the first of July. Late in the fall, before freezing weather sets in, dig the bulbs up, cut off the tops and store until spring in any dry place that is free from frost. Your stock should increase annually.

## FOUR SUPERB GLADIOLI

**Europa.** This magnificent European variety has been on the market for several years, but is still scarce. It is considered by many experts to be the best pure white yet introduced, having the finest spikes, the best individual flowers, and is of the purest snowy whiteness. 16 cts. each, \$1.75 per doz., \$12 per 100.

**Mrs. Frank Pendleton.** All experts agree that this is one of the finest varieties yet introduced. The flowers are of largest size, borne on strong, straight spikes. In color a lovely salmon-pink, with brilliant, deep, red blotches in the throat, a color combination rivaling many of the finest orchids in its richness; exquisite in every way. 20 cts. each, \$2 per doz., \$13 per 100.

**Peace.** Immense, pure white flowers with a touch of carmine in the lower petals, borne on tall, graceful spikes. A beautiful and exceedingly refined variety. 12 cts. each, \$1.25 per doz., \$8 per 100.

**Fire King.** Long, graceful spikes showing half a dozen immense blooms open at the same time. Color intense fire-scarlet, more brilliant than Brenchleyensis, Cardinal, Mrs. Francis King, or any other variety. Is perfectly grand; will become the leading cut-flower variety of its color. 40 cts. each, \$4 per doz., \$25 per 100.

The prices on Gladioli do not include transportation from Pittsburgh. If wanted by parcel post, postage must be paid by the purchaser. Gladioli bulbs average about 10 pounds to the 100.

## TWELVE POPULAR GLADIOLI

**America.** Conceded to be one of the finest varieties for cutting or bedding ever sent out; color a beautiful soft flesh-pink; orchid-like in its coloring and texture; growth and habit perfect. 25 cts. per doz., \$1.40 per 100; second size, \$1 per 100.

**Augusta.** A lovely and most useful variety; pure white, with blue anthers; early. 30c. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Baron Hulot.** Rich, royal violet-blue. This, when cut, in combination with one of the yellow varieties, is truly exquisite. 35 cts. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Brenchleyensis.** The best and most effective vermilion-scarlet for massing. 30 cts. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Faust.** Dark velvety red; immense flower; splendid. 35 cts. per doz., \$2.50 per 100.

**Halley.** Lovely, delicate flesh-color, with a creamy yellow blotch on the lower petals; flowers measure 6 inches across. 30 cts. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Hollandia** (Miss Roosevelt; Mikado). Rosy yellow; a distinct and beautiful sort. 35 cts. per doz., \$2 per 100.

**Mrs. Francis King.** A striking shade of light scarlet or flame-color; one of the most effective for bedding or cutting. 35 cts. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Princess.** Immense, wide-open, amaryllis-like flowers of rich, dazzling scarlet, marked with white on lower portion, which seems to intensify the brilliancy of the scarlet. 35 cts. per doz., \$2.50 per 100.



An attractive bed of Gladioli in August

**Pink Beauty.** Brilliant dark pink, with distinct dark red blotch. The earliest flowering Gladiolus. 30 cts. per doz., \$1.75 per 100.

**Niagara.** A charming American variety, with all the good qualities of America, but of a delicate cream-yellow, lightly marked and splashed with rosy carmine in the throat; very large, open flowers on tall, straight spikes; beautiful as a cut-flower. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz., \$7 per 100.

**Panama.** An American introduction of sterling merit; is a favorite wherever high-grade varieties are grown. It is similar to and has all the good qualities of America, but in color is a rich rose-pink. Unquestionably one of the finest. 12 cts. each, \$1 per doz., \$7 per 100.

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NOTE.—Six bulbs of any variety will be supplied at the dozen rate, 50 at the hundred rate.

### COLLECTIONS OF NAMED GLADIOLI

1 each of the above choice varieties, 12 in all.....	\$0 50
3 each of the above choice varieties, 36 in all.....	1 35
6 each of the above choice varieties, 72 in all.....	2 50
12 each of the above choice varieties, 144 in all.....	4 50

### GLADIOLI IN CHOICEST MIXTURES

	Doz.	100	1,000
<b>Mixed Gladioli.</b> Good quality; all colors.....		\$1 25	\$11 50
<b>Red and Scarlet Gladioli.</b> Splendid for massing in shrubberies and borders.....		2 00	
<b>White and Light Gladioli.</b> A choice mixture made from all named Gladioli.....		2 00	
<b>Yellow and Orange Gladioli.....</b>	\$0 75	6 00	
<b>Groff's Hybrids, Mixed.....</b>	35	2 25	

### XXX MIXTURE

This is a specially fine mixture, made up of over 100 fine named varieties, and includes also a good percentage of Childsii Hybrids. Just the stock for those who want only the very best that can possibly be had. We have sold hundreds of thousands of this mixture at \$3 per 100. We have now improved the quality and reduced the price one-third. 35 cts. per doz., \$2 per 100.

### PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS

The original of this type, introduced from South Africa, has been much improved by crossing with choice garden varieties, and the mixed hybrids here offered are certain to produce some beautiful flowers, mostly in tones running from light yellow to orange, apricot and crimson; the flowers are of good size, borne on tall, graceful spikes, and are of healthy, vigorous constitution. 50 cts. per doz., \$3.50 per 100.



Hybrid Gladioli

# CANNAS

Cannas are too well known to need description, and the large-flowered varieties are easily the showiest bedding plants grown. The varieties offered are the best and most distinct. The **prices quoted are good for orders received not later than March 1**, and do not include transportation charges from Pittsburgh.

**Culture.**—Cannas should be planted in good, rich garden soil, mixed with one-fourth of old rotten stable manure, by the end of May, when danger from frost is past. Water sparingly for the first two weeks after planting; when growing freely, water liberally. Set the plants about 18 inches apart each way, and if more than one kind is used, be careful to plant the taller-growing kinds in the center and the dwarf ones along the edge. This applies to planting in beds. Cannas are most effective when planted in masses of one color.

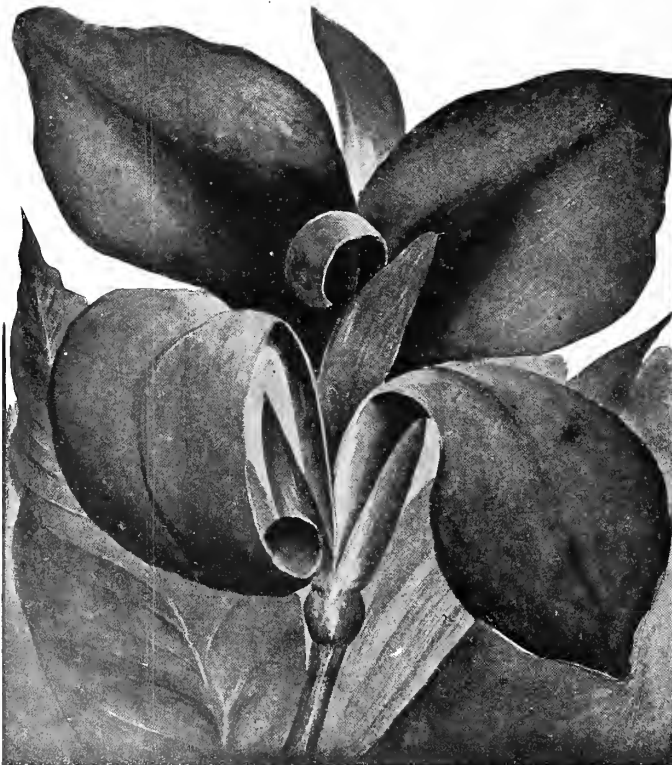
## FIREBIRD. The Best Red-Flowered Green-Leaved Canna

The flowers are borne in immense trusses, on strong stalks well above the leaves. They are of splendid form, round and shapely. The petals measure and sometimes exceed  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches across, and the color is a clear, glistening scarlet, without any streaks, spots or blotches. Strong roots, 50 cts. each, \$5 per doz., \$38 per 100.

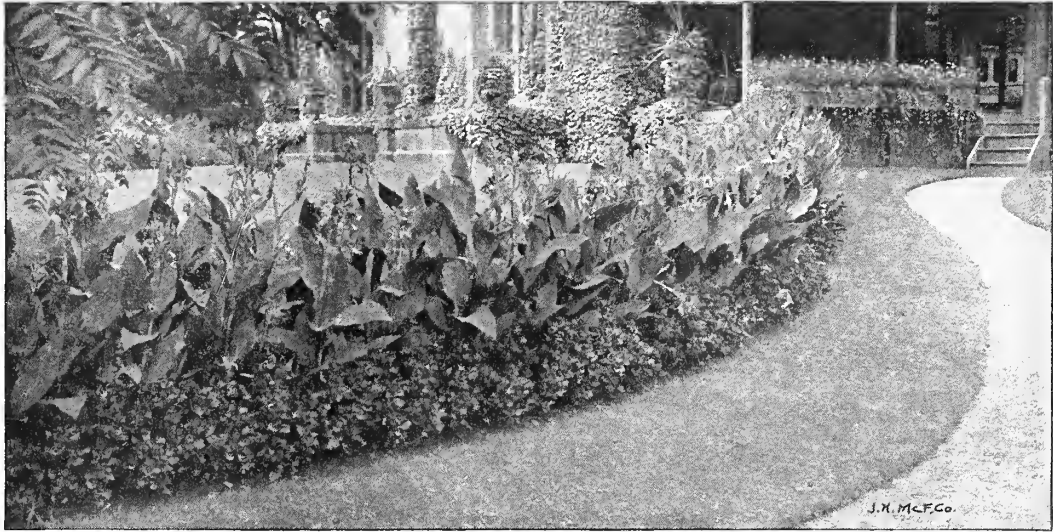
## A SELECTION OF THE BEST CANNAS

	Each	Doz.	100
<b>Alphonse Bouvier.</b> Dark crimson flower; green foliage. 5 feet.....	\$0 10	\$0 85	\$5 50
<b>David Harum.</b> Bright vermilion-scarlet, mottled with deep red; bronze foliage. 4 feet.....	10	85	5 50
<b>Chas. Henderson.</b> Bright crimson; green foliage. 4 feet.....	10	85	5 50
<b>Egandale.</b> A fine, bronze-leaved variety; pretty cherry-red flowers, borne well above the foliage; handsome. 4 feet....	10	1 00	6 00
<b>Feuermeer</b> (Sea of Fire). A brilliant, fiery scarlet; of medium size; exceptionally free-flowering; very effective for massing. 4 feet.....	10	1 00	6 00

	Each	Doz.	100
<b>Flamingo.</b> Intense, clear crimson; flowers large and borne in immense trusses in great profusion. 4 feet.....	\$0 10	\$0 85	\$5 50
<b>Florence Vaughan.</b> Rich golden yellow, thickly spotted with bright red. $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet. 10	85	5 50	
<b>General Merkel.</b> One of the freest-flowering varieties; brilliant scarlet, suffused with orange, the base and the edge of the petals being marbled with golden yellow. 4 feet.....	15	1 50	8 00
<b>Gladiator.</b> One of the finest bedders; deep yellow, freely dotted with light yellow. $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet.....	10	1 00	6 00
<b>Gustav Gumpfer.</b> The ideal rich yellow bedding Canna; the flowers, of good size, are held well above the foliage, the fine trusses always clean-locking; in habit of growth very uniform; the color is a shade that has been missing heretofore. $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 feet.....	15	1 50	8 00
<b>Hungaria.</b> The ideal pink bedder; flowers large, in great trusses; one of the best. 4 feet.....	12	1 25	7 00
<b>King Humbert.</b> In this grand Canna we have a combination of the highest type of flowers with the finest bronze foliage. Its flowers measure 6 inches in diameter, produced in gigantic trusses; orange-scarlet with bright red markings; foliage broad and massive, of a rich coppery bronze. 5 feet.....	10	1 00	6 00
<b>Louisiana.</b> Soft, glowing scarlet with orange throat; green foliage. 6 feet..	10	75	4 50
<b>Louis Reverchon.</b> Brilliant cochineal-red; the flowers are very large and borne in immense trusses; dark foliage. $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 feet.....	10	1 00	6 00
<b>Meteor.</b> A magnificent bedding variety, of strong, robust habit, with green foliage and enormous trusses of large, bright blood-red flowers, freely produced well above the foliage. 5 feet.....	20	2 00	12 00
<b>Mrs. Alfred F. Conard.</b> A most remarkable variety, with exquisite salmon-pink flowers of largest size, in erect and abundantly furnished heads, so freely produced as to keep a superb showing of bloom for months. Unsurpassed for planting singly or in large beds. 4 feet.....	15	1 50	9 00



Flamingo Canna



Border of Cannas

## CANNAS, continued

<b>Mme. Crozy.</b> The popular golden-edged scarlet; bright and handsome. 4 feet..	Each \$0 10	Doz. \$0 85	100 \$5 50	<b>Uncle Sam.</b> Orange-scarlet; green foliage; very handsome. 6 feet.....	Each \$0 10	Doz. \$0 75	100 \$4 50
<b>President Meyer.</b> Handsome bronze and sepia foliage; large flowers in wide trusses; cherry-carmine. 6 feet.....	10	1 00	6 00	<b>William Bates.</b> A splendid, free-flowering, pure yellow Canna; the size of its flowers, trusses and habit of growth are all that can be desired. 5 feet.....	10	85	5 50
<b>R. Wallace.</b> The largest and finest pure yellow grown; enormous flowers of fine color. 4 feet.....	10	1 00	6 00	<b>Wyoming.</b> Bronzy purple foliage, with immense spikes of massive orange flowers..	10	85	5 50

The above prices are for dormant roots delivered in April. We can supply started plants from pots for May delivery at an advance of 5 cents on above prices for each plant ordered, but we must have the order by March 1. The transportation charges on started plants are much greater than on dormant roots, but we can ship from either Pittsburgh, Pa., or from Princeton Junction, N. J.

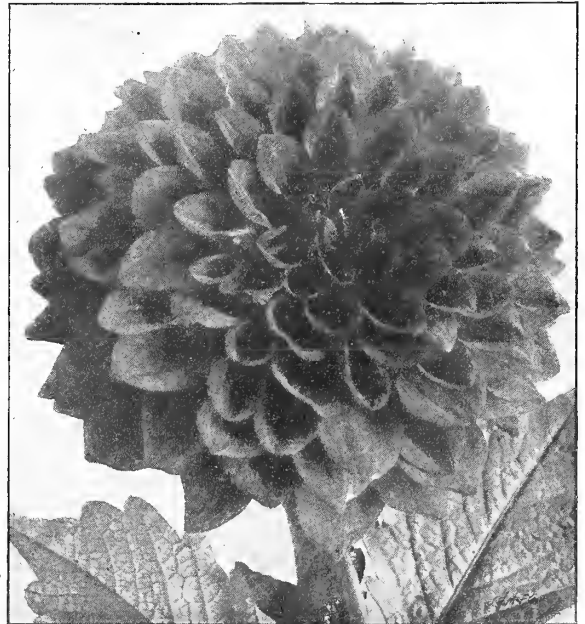
# DAHLIAS

There has been a great and increasing demand for Dahlias for several years. New varieties have been offered every year by the score, and so many kinds have been catalogued that it is very confusing to the buyer. The following list, without considering the novelties, is a selection of the best, and our advice is to wait until the high-priced novelties have been well tried out. It is a safe presumption that 9 per cent of them are not distinct from, or better than, older varieties. The culture of Dahlias is very simple. They require a good, rich soil and should not be planted until all danger of frost is over. Take up the roots late in the fall, and store where there is no danger of freezing.

All of the Dahlias offered in this catalogue are supplied in strong, dormant, field-grown roots. These are ready to send out between the middle of April and the first of May. As the season advances, our supply of roots of some of the varieties becomes exhausted, in which case green growing plants are sent instead. These will give equally as good results as dormant roots, flowering just as freely. Many experienced planters prefer them, and by the time they are cut by frost in the autumn they will have produced strong roots, which can be carried over winter in the usual way.

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	Each	Doz.
<b>A. D. Livoni.</b> (Show.) Rich seashell-pink.....	\$0 12	\$1 25
<b>Admiral Dewey.</b> (Cactus.) Brilliant imperial purple...	15	1 50
<b>Alight.</b> (Cactus.) Rich, deep orange-scarlet; large and fine.	20	2 00
<b>Amber Queen.</b> (Pompon.) Rich, clear amber, shaded apricot; extra free-flowering; one of the best.....	10	1 00
<b>Arabella.</b> (Show.) Light pinkish, tipped darker; extra free.	12	1 20
<b>Bobby.</b> (Pompon.) Deep plum-color; extra fine and free.	10	1 00



Show Dahlia



Decorative Dahlia

## DAHLIAS, continued

	Each	Doz.		Each	Doz.
<b>Blanche.</b> (Single, or Century.) Pale yellow, faintly tipped pink; one of the best of the Century type.	\$15	\$1 50	<b>General Bullier.</b> (Cactus.) Rich, deep crimson, tipped white; attractive.....	\$0 12	\$1 25
<b>Darkness.</b> (Pompon.) Very dark maroon; extra fine; free.....	10	1 00	<b>Genista.</b> (Cactus.) Deep amber, shaded gold; one of the very best.....	12	1 25
<b>Delice.</b> (Decorative.) Beautiful, glowing rose-pink; good stems; fine for cutting.....	25	2 50	<b>George Marlow.</b> (Cactus.) Primrose-yellow, shaded amber.....	15	1 50
<b>Dr. Jameson.</b> (Cactus.) Deep crimson; very free.	10	1 00	<b>Germania.</b> (Peony.) Glowing crimson, shaded yellow.....	20	2 00
<b>Earl of Pembroke.</b> (Cactus.) Bright plum-color; exceedingly large.....	10	1 00	<b>Glowing Coal.</b> (Show.) Bright, glowing crimson.	10	1 00
<b>Elegans.</b> (Fancy.) Rosy purple, tipped and banded white.....	12	1 25	<b>Harbor Light.</b> (Cactus.) Vivid orange-red, overlaid with flame-color.....	17	1 75
<b>Eloise.</b> (Decorative.) Blush-pink, shading to white, each petal margined deep glowing crimson; very distinct and charming.....	15	1 50	<b>Jack Rose.</b> (Decorative.) Rich, velvety crimson, an ideal variety for cut-flowers.....	15	1 50
<b>Emily.</b> (Double.) Solferino with white markings; very large and full; desirable.....	10	1 00	<b>J. H. Jackson.</b> (Cactus.) Brilliant, very dark crimson-maroon; best of its color.....	12	1 25
<b>Frank L. Bassett.</b> (Double.) Bright royal purple, shading to blue, the nearest approach to a blue Dahlia; very free bloomer and fine for cutting...	12	1 25	<b>Keystone.</b> (Fancy.) Pink, striped crimson.....	12	1 25
			<b>Kriemhilde</b> (Cactus.) Pleasing shade of pink, white center.....	12	1 25

## DAHLIAS, continued



Cactus Dahlia

<b>Lady Fair.</b> (Cactus.) Primrose, tinted soft pink; very novel type.....	Each \$0 10	Doz. \$1 00
<b>La Rainte.</b> (Peony.) Beautiful lavender-pink; very free.....	20	2 00
<b>Lysander.</b> (Single, or Century.) Crimson, striped maroon.....	10	1 00
<b>Maid of Kent.</b> (Decorative.) Cherry-red, tipped white, sometimes a solid red.....	12	1 25
<b>Mars.</b> (Cactus.) Deep orange-scarlet; very fine...	10	1 00
<b>Mary Service.</b> (Cactus.) Pinkish apricot or heliotrope; one of the best.....	12	1 20
<b>Master Carl.</b> (Cactus.) Large; clear orange-salmon.....	15	1 50
<b>Merlin.</b> (Show.) Bright orange-scarlet; one of the very best.....	15	1 50
<b>Minos.</b> (Decorative.) Rich, velvety maroon; best dark Decorative variety.....	15	1 50
<b>Mme. A. Lumiere.</b> (Decorative.) Pale white, violet-red points; very attractive.....	30	3 00
<b>Mrs. Geo. W. Reed.</b> (Decorative.) Pure white, edged and flaked soft rosy lake; beautiful.....	12	1 25
<b>Nymphæa.</b> Clear, light shrimp-pink.....	15	1 50
<b>Olympia.</b> (Double.) Immense flowers; rose-pink, striped and penciled with rich crimson; beautiful.	12	1 25
<b>Perle de Lyon.</b> (Decorative.) Pure white; splendid.	30	3 00
<b>P. W. Jansen.</b> (Peony.) Rosy salmon, overlaid yellow; large.....	20	2 00
<b>President Viger.</b> (Collarette.) Reddish carmine; collar pure white.....	15	1 50
<b>Prince Charming.</b> (Pompon.) Cream, heavily tipped purple; one of the finest.....	10	1 00

<b>Priscilla.</b> (Peony.) Orange-scarlet; fine.....	Each \$0 15	Doz. \$1 50
<b>Queen Emma.</b> (Peony.) Hollyhock-pink, inner petals banded with gold.....	20	2 00
<b>Queen Victoria.</b> (Show.) Canary-yellow; very fine.	10	1 00
<b>Queen Wilhelmina.</b> (Peony.) Best pure white; large.....	30	3 00
<b>Red Chief.</b> (Single.) Bright cardinal-red.....	10	1 00
<b>Red Hussar.</b> (Show.) Pure cardinal-red.....	10	1 00
<b>Reggie.</b> (Decorative.) Cherry-red, veined orange; free; very large flowers; one of the best.....	15	1 50
<b>Robert Braumfield.</b> (Show.) Pure white; large flowers; very free.....	12	1 25
<b>Snowball.</b> (Show.) Pure white; fine form.....	15	1 50
<b>Solfatara.</b> (Peony.) Carmine-red, yellow band in center.....	15	1 50
<b>Souv. de Gustav Douzon.</b> (Decorative.) Enormous, orange-red flower; splendid variety.....	12	1 20
<b>Sunbeam.</b> (Pompon.) Crimson-scarlet; extra-fine form; one of the best.....	10	1 00
<b>Sunburst.</b> (Show.) An exquisite shade of clear salmon; fine form.....	10	1 00
<b>Sylvia.</b> (Decorative.) Rich pink, white center....	12	1 25
<b>Thomas a Becket.</b> (Single, or Century.) Crimson-lake, with bright yellow ring.....	10	1 00
<b>Twentieth Century.</b> (Single.) Purest white at both base and tips, center of each petal delicate blush-rose.....	15	1 50
<b>Virginia Maule.</b> (Decorative.) Delicate tint of shell-pink.....	10	1 00
<b>Volker.</b> (Cactus.) Clear lemon yellow.....	15	1 50
<b>Named Varieties.</b> In good assortment, our selection of varieties.....	\$6 per 100	85
<b>Mixed Varieties.</b> This mixture is made up of varieties of which labels have been lost..	\$5 per 100	75



Pompon Dahlias

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# MISCELLANEOUS BULBS

## MONTBRETIA

A beautiful flowering bulb resembling a miniature gladiolus, and effective only if planted in masses from 50 to 100 bulbs in a clump. They are fine for cutting, being very showy, the orange-scarlet and yellow shades being especially attractive. 24 inches.

	Doz.	100
<b>Crocsmæflora.</b> Scarlet and yellow.....	\$0 25	\$2 00
<b>Fire King.</b> Brilliant-red; fine for massing.....	75	5 00
<b>Drap d'Or.</b> Orange-yellow.....	25	2 00
<b>Etoile de Feu.</b> Scarlet-vermilion.....	25	2 00

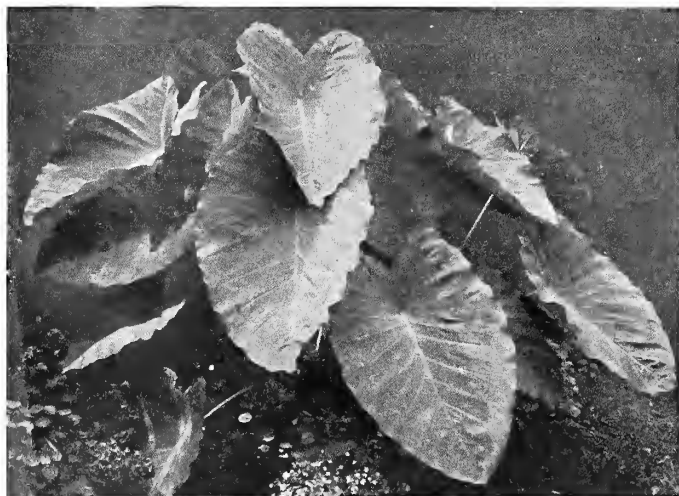
## HYACINTHUS CANDICANS

(Summer Hyacinth)

These are especially attractive when planted in masses in solid beds or borders. In July and August they produce spikes about 2 feet long, which are covered with bell-shaped, white flowers. They remain in bloom a long while and for that reason should be planted extensively. The bulbs should be taken up at the approach of winter and stored in a cool cellar. Handled in this manner, the bulbs can be saved from year to year. 40 cts. per doz., \$2.50 per 100.

## CALADIUM ESCULENTUM

	Each	Doz.	100
5 to 7 inches.....	\$0 08	\$0 60	\$4 00
7 to 9 inches.....	10	90	6 00
9 to 11 inches.....	15	1 50	10 00



Caladium esculentum



Montbretia

## TIGRIDIAS

Curious, shell-like flowers, rarely seen in gardens but well worth growing.

	Doz.	100
<b>Canariensis.</b> Yellow, spotted orange.....	\$0 75	\$5 00
<b>Grandiflora alba.</b> White, purple-spotted.....	75	5 00
<b>Nankeen.</b> One of the best; yellow.....	75	5 00
<b>Pavonia.</b> Red.....	75	5 00

## TUBEROSE

	Doz.	100
<b>Excelsior Pearl.</b> 3 to 4 inches.....	\$0 20	\$1 25
<b>Excelsior Pearl.</b> 4 to 6 inches.....	40	2 50

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